## NAVAL BASE CHARLESTON RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING Minutes of 12 October 1999

Live Oak Community Center 2012 Success Street North Charleston, SC

## RAB Members Attending

Mr. Tony Hunt

Mr. Dann Spariosu

Mr. Henry Shepard

Mr. Bob Veronee

## Guests Attending

Mr. Paul Bergstrand SCDHEC
Mr. Mihir Mehta SCDHEC
Mr. David Scaturo SCDHEC
Mr. J. Michael Reubish Community member

Mr. Keith Johns EnSafe, Inc.
Mr. Stanley Brown Community member
Ms. Joquetti Ricks Community member

Mr. Tony Hunt brought the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. Because of the low turnout, no member or audience introductions were made.

Mr. Veronee inquired if the RAB should try a new location for the meetings since people have not been showing up in the last three or four meetings. Mr. Shepard advised that his experience with RABs at other sites is similar. Mr. Spariosu stated that the RAB will be needing the community input more in the coming months because now they're getting into a lot of decision-making points.

Mr. Veronee suggested a newsletter of important upcoming events to members of the various civic clubs. Mr. Hunt informed everyone that the RAB has a mailing list of 300 or more people, including the mayors of the different muncipalities. He noted that a card could be sent to the people on this list inviting them to attend the RAB meetings.

Mr. Veronee expressed that December is a bad month for attendance because of the holidays. A meeting in November might be better, not necessarily the first or second Tuesday but whenever everyone's schedule permits.

Mr. Shepard wondered if Mr. Bobby Dearhart was still on the RAB. Mr. Hunt answered that Mr. Dearhart would like to continue working with the RAB, but he is going from a government employee to a private contractor but could still be a community representative.

Mr. Johns noted that the RAB charter may have a clause about conflict of interest that could potentially apply to Mr. Dearhart in his new position. Mr. Johns said he would research this issue. Mr. Johns also noted that Mr. Dearhart's continued participation in the RAB activities is very important to the continuity of the board. Mr. Veronee said that there could be a caveat placed on Mr. Dearhart's participation if contract discussions were ever a topic. [Editor's note: Research revealed that there is no conflict of interest clause in the Charleston RAB charter.]

Mr. Hunt commented that there were plenty of community centers in North Charleston to hold RAB meetings, they just need to be advertised in advance. He has also talked to several RAB members (Ralph Laney, O'Dell Price, Priscilla Wendt) and each has asked that Mr. Hunt involve them in the decision discussions but their schedules were too busy to permit them to attend meetings.

Mr. Hunt would like to tap into the resource of the members that are and have been on the board because they are familiar with the issues and terminology and are a valuable resource when it comes to evaluating the alternative remedies. Mr. Hunt will try to schedule a meeting with the membership subcommittee and will send out flyers for the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes approved by:

Tony Hunt Navy Co-Chair

Louis Mintz Community Co-Chair